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RESPONSE & FEE TRANSMITTAL

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on November 18, 2003, enclosed herewith for filing are the following:

A Response/Amendment [22] page(s)

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Conditional Petition for Extension of Time: An extension of time is requested to provide for timely filing if an extension of time is still required after all papers filed with this communication have been considered.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-2518, Docket No. 2244897040. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sirs:

This is a response to the Office action mailed on November 18, 2002. Please amend the above-referenced application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

The following is a clean version of the entire set of pending claims. In accordance with 37 CFR 1.21(c)(1)(ii), attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the claims by the current amendment. The attached pages are captioned "Version with markings to show changes made." Claims 1, 16-21, and 27 are amended. Claim 12 is canceled.

1. (Twice Amended) A method comprising

making at least one digital facility available from a source to clients via an

electronic communication medium,

associating with at least one of the clients an access permission that enables the

client to access at least one of the digital facilities,